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**SENATOR SCOTT'S DUI-IMPOUND BILL CLEARS SENATE**

SACRAMENTO – Repeat drunk drivers may find themselves forced to walk under legislation passed today by the State Senate. SB 207, authored by State Senator Jack Scott (D-Pasadena), calls for police to impound the vehicles of DUI offenders who have a previous DUI offense and are arrested again for driving under the influence. Repeat offenders could find themselves without a car for up to 15 days!

Here's how the bill works:

- If a driver has been convicted of driving under the influence in the preceding ten years and if the driver has a **blood alcohol content of 0.10%** or refuses to take a chemical test, police would impound the driver's vehicle.
- Police would either impound the vehicle for 5 or 15 days: 5 days if the driver had one earlier DUI conviction within the past ten years and 15 days if the driver had two or more DUI convictions within the past 10 years.

"I want to send a message to those who drink and drive – DON'T," declared Senator Scott. "We need to be more strict with drunk drivers. The Department of Motor Vehicles concluded that vehicle confiscation is an effective way of punishing repeat offenders and keeping them off the road."

SB 207 would allow the impounded vehicle to be released to another registered owner, if the other owner agrees to not allow the driver to use the vehicle until the end of the impoundment period.

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